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The Exchange Club of Sugar Land

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Weekly Meetings

Wednesdays, 7:00 a.m.
Sweetwater Country Club
Palm Royale Blvd.
Sugar Land, Texas

Officers 2011-2012

President: Steve Griffith

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The infamous spaghetti bowl given to Gladys Blumfield for chairing the Spaghetti Cook-off 2012



Photos by Ed Lee

President's Message

I want to give the club a little update regarding some issues the board has been working with. First, we enacted our Membership Incentive program. For active members who have been a part of exchange for 20 years and who are having financial difficulties continuing to make their dues payments; the board approved a program where those members would only be responsible for district and national dues. The board proudly approved the first three members in this program. The strength of this club is its members.

This fall, we will have our 25th anniversary celebration! It's amazing that several of our members have been giving to the community for such an extended period of time!

Our funds raised from Spaghetti Cook-off netted approximately \$88,000. This was down from last year's proceeds. As a result, the board has reallocated some of our existing funds. The board committed to re-funding a reserve for Santa's Exchange. The board also agreed to "roll over" approximately 19k in uncommitted funds to next year's budget. Between these two actions, our incoming President, Gladys Brumfield, will start with essentially the same level of funding that I was able to this year.

I appreciate the board's willingness to make some conservative decisions. We support many important charitable organizations in Fort Bend County. In fact, many have consistently received our support for several years. Prudent decision making by our Board ensures that continued support.

Steve Griffith, President

District Convention – June 1-3, 2012

The Woodlands Waterway Marriott

National Convention – July 11-14, 2012

Sheraton Wildhorse Resort & Spa – Chandler, AZ

www.nationalexchange.org



CHILD ADVOCATES OF FORT BEND



**Candy Land
GALA**

Sugar Land Marriott Town Square
May 5, 2012

**sponsor
NOW**

Presenting Sponsors:

Baker Hughes, Incorporated; Brian & Martha Baer; Indo American Forum of Fort Bend; Sysco Corporation

Honorary Chair: Dee Koch

Ruthanne Mefford, Executive Director; Fiona Remko, Program Director and Ophelia Mok, Children's Services Coordinator

The Children's Advocacy Center is a place where children of abuse can tell their stories without fear and a place where they can heal their hurt. Whether the children are coming to the Center to report abuse or coming for therapy, volunteers are essential to the Center and making the experience as neutral and child-friendly as possible.

CASA Volunteers advocate for a child's emotional, physical and educational needs while they are in the care of the child welfare system with the goal of helping them find a more stable life in a safe and permanent home. For more information go to www.cafb.org

Photos by Shaunna Witt

SERVICE TO SENIORS

Thank you all for helping make the April 2012 Spring Free Shopping Spree such a huge success.

For days, **Roy Miers, Bob Dunham, Sue Sanchez, Bob Hargather, Sue Sanchez and John Hancock** gathered clothing. **Linda Lavinson, Roy Miers and Doug Earle** kindly donated clothing and other items. The Exchangites who were able to attend were **Roy Miers, Jim Hudnall, May & Jack Williams; Rick Mudra, Jeri, Doug Earle, Bob Dunham, Dave Kiger and Susan Whitacre. Mary Jo Salvaggio, Chair**



Youth of the Month Award

**Kempner High School:
Floritzel Morena**

Presenter: Karen Daly

Young Citizenship Award

**Sugar Land Middle School:
Alex Phuong**

**Presenter:
Anthony Lacsamana**



Relay For Life

**Reagan Walters and
Jenna DeAngelis
accepted a check
from the Exchange Club of
Sugar Land for the American
Cancer Society.**



Happy May Birthday

Nancy Colmenares, Roy Miers, Edward Lee, Ron Norsworthy, Lisa Anhaier
Linda Johnson, Tom Tielke, Jack, Williams, Kay Parker, Mark Lukin
Ethan Shinogle, Reagan Walters, Scott Yokley, Mary Jo Salvaggio
Elizabeth Howard, Jorge Marra, Gary Panetti, Ron Booker

Blue Ribbon School for Child Abuse Prevention

In celebration of Child Abuse Prevention month, the Exchange Club of Sugar Land hosted its annual School Blue Ribbon competition. Schools were charged with the task of creating displays to help convey the message of child abuse prevention. We had 22 FBISD schools apply to participate in this year's project.

The three winners this year were new comers to the competition, and were all elementary schools. Several schools submitted excellent pictures and had creative displays, but these schools stood out!

Jennifer Cole, Chair



1st place – Meadows Elementary \$800.00 Karen Reiger, Campus Nurse Teri Court
Cherish Childhood – Blow Away Child Abuse.

2nd place – EA Jones \$650.00 Mr. Robert Arena, Principal Maria Hinojsa, Art Teacher
Children – We Can't Recycle them

3rd Place – Walker Station \$450.00 Celeste Caillouet, Victoria Pringle
Unless Someone Like You Cares an Awful Lot, It's Not Going to Change, It's Not! WSE CARES!